

## SECTION 00020

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Alcorn County Water Association (Owner) in conjunction with the Alcorn County Board of Supervisors will receive competitive bids, under seal, from Contractors and well drillers licensed in the State of Mississippi to fabricate and install:

#### **2019 Alcorn County CDBG Biggersville Well**

Sealed proposals will be received by the Alcorn County Water Association at their Office at 116 S, Cass St. Corinth, MS 38834 until 11:00 am local time, CDT, on Tuesday April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021. At that time, the bids will be opened in public and evaluated by the Engineer for administrative and technical completeness. The bids will be considered by the Chairman and a recommendation will be made to the Water Association for final approval.

Bidding proposals should be addressed to Mr. Keith Stevens, Chairman, in sealed packages with the words **2019 Alcorn County CDBG Biggersville Well** appearing on the outside of the envelope or package. All appropriate licensing information shall be provided on the face of the bid envelope. All proposals must be accompanied by either a cashier's check drawn on an Mississippi bank or a Bid Bond executed by a surety company, duly authorized and qualified to make such bonds in the State of Mississippi, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the proposed capital cost submitted. Any disclosure in advance of the terms of a bid in response to this invitation shall render the proceedings void and require advertisement and award anew.

The award shall be made to the lowest responsible and responsive Bidder, unless the Awarding Authority finds that all of the bids are unreasonable or that it is not in the interest of the Awarding Authority to accept any of the bids. A responsible Bidder is one, who among other qualities determined necessary for performance, is competent, experienced, and financially able to perform the Contract. A responsive bidder is one who submits a bid that complies with the terms and conditions of this Invitation to Bid and the Contract Documents. All applicable tax must be included in the bid price.

Awarding public contracts to non-resident Bidders will be on the same basis as the non-resident Bidder's state awards contracts to Mississippi Contractors bidding under similar circumstances. In order to ensure that Mississippi's so-called Golden Rule is followed state law requires a non-resident bidder to attach to his bid a copy of his resident state's current laws pertaining to such state's treatment of non-resident contractors.

The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended 12 U.S.C. 1701u (Section 3). CDBG regulations governing the grant require that, to the greatest extent feasible, opportunities for contracting, subcontracting, training and employment arising in connection with this CDBG project will be extended to Section 3 businesses and Section 3 residents.

The Awarding Authority shall also stipulate or cause to be stipulated in the Contract a provision whereby the person, firm or corporation undertaking the project agrees to use in the execution of the contract materials, supplies, and products manufactured, mined, processed, or otherwise

produced in the United States or its territories. In the event that the entity awarded the Contract violates the agreement to use domestic products, then there shall be a downward adjustment in the Contract price equal to any realized savings or benefits to the Contractor.

The successful bidder must comply with the Davis-Bacon Act which requires that all laborers and mechanics shall be paid at rates not less than those determined by the Department of Labor to be prevailing for the locality in which the project is located.

Bidder's Proposals for the Work shall remain firm for a period of ninety (90) calendar days from the date of the Bid Opening. The Contract Documents, which contain instructions for the submission of Bids, a proposed Contract, and the Specifications for the "**2019 Alcorn County CDBG Biggersville Well**", is on file for inspection at the Alcorn County Water Association office. Electronic Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of Hethcoat & Davis, Inc. located at 278 Franklin Road, Suite 200, Brentwood, Tennessee 37027; (615) 577-4300.

Minority and women's business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities, equipment, material and/or supply needs.

The Alcorn County Board of Supervisors is an Equal Opportunity Employer. The Alcorn County Board of Supervisors hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in a contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual preference, marital or veteran status, or any other legally protected status in consideration for an award.

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Lowell Hinton, President  
Alcorn County Board of Supervisors

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